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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.


The concise explanation of relevance for the non-English documents is found in the enclosed copy of a Search Report for the corresponding European patent application and in its U.S. counterpart, U.S. Patent No. 6,225,015 BL. JP-05-333575 and JP 63-106662 cited in the Search Report are already of record.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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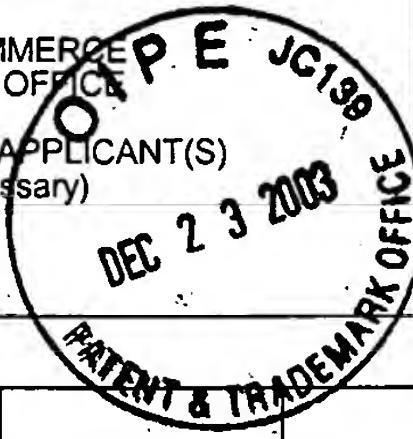
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